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For: **MICROCHIP, KIT FOR
EXTRACTING NUCLEIC ACID
AND EXTRACTING METHOD
FOR NUCLEIC ACID**

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1. JP 3220158
2. JP 2002-532715
3. JP 2002-503331
4. JP 8-24600

In lieu of a statement of relevance or translation of the non-English documents, enclosed is an English-language international search report from the Japanese Patent Office in the PCT international application, from which this national phase U.S. application is derived, citing these documents and setting forth the relevance thereof.

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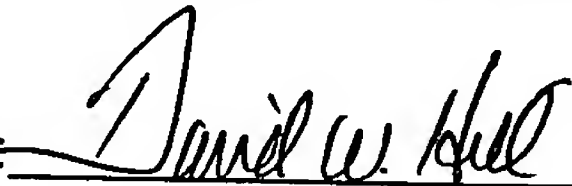
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